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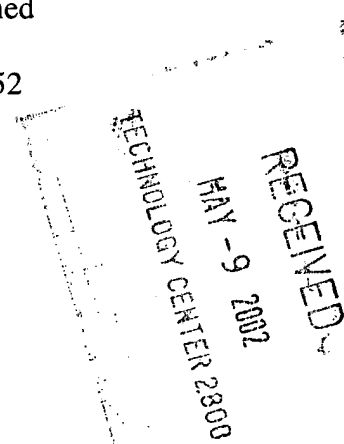
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
YASUMASA OTSUKA, ET AL.)
Application No.: 10/091,467)
Filed: March 7, 2002)
For: HEATER HAVING METALLIC)
SUBSTRATE AND IMAGE HEAT-)
ING APPARATUS USING HEAT-)
ER)
May 8, 2002

Examiner: Unassigned
Group Art Unit: 2852



The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found at pages 2, 6, and 7 of the specification.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

APPLICATION NO.

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09/891,388

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the cited U.S.

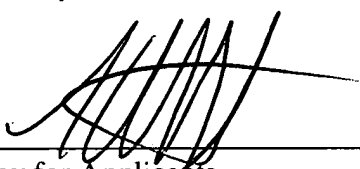
Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

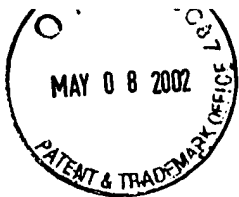


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